

HOUSE RESOLUTION 314
By Hood

A RESOLUTION to commend Ryan Richards for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Ryan Richards is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for the Honorable Representative John Hood; Ryan's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted, as well as staff member Todd Staley, the House Calendar and Rules Committee, and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at Middle Tennessee State University, where he is highly regarded by his peers, Ryan has achieved academic success while pursuing a double major in Political Science and History and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, after graduation, Mr. Richards plans to attend law school, and he has distinguished himself as a member and President of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity; and

WHEREAS, Ryan Richards has also distinguished himself as a member of the Eta Gamma Chapter of the Sigma Chi Fraternity at Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, as a Brother of the Sigma Chi Fraternity, Ryan has served diligently as Recruitment Chairman, Sorority Relations Chairman, and Vice-President, and he was recently elected President; and

WHEREAS, Ryan Richards has shown his dedication to the student body at Middle Tennessee State University by serving on the Homecoming Committee, Greek Life Programming Board, as the university delegate to the Southeastern Interfraternity Conference, and he is currently serving as a Senator-at-Large in the Student Government Association; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his duties with the House Calendar and Rules Committee, it is also well-known that Ryan is a friend to the members and staff of the House Agriculture

Committee, where he likes to spend his free time; on a daily basis, Ryan has been quick to remind everyone of the importance of a good breakfast, specifically with eggs and bacon; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Mr. Richards brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2006 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2006 legislative session, Ryan Richards has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern, and he has gained great respect for the work of Representative John Hood and grateful appreciation for the assistance and advice of committee staff members Todd Staley, Mary Ann Doty, and Carolyn Slaughter; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Richards has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Ryan Richards for outstanding service as a legislative intern for the House Calendar and Rules Committee and its officers, Representatives Larry Miller, Chairman; John Hood, Vice-Chairman; and John Litz, Secretary and extend to him our best wishes for every future success, including his goal of a career in business.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.